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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Official Action dated August 8, 2007 placing the above identified patent application under final rejection.

In the latest Official Action, Claims 6, 19 and 20 have been rejected under U.S.C. Section 103(a) as being obvious over a combination of the <u>Cole</u> and <u>Byrne</u> patents. The basis for prior